

FLOODS IN SAHARA DESERT

They Are of Rare Occurrence, But Two Have Come in Five Years.

For the second time in five years a flood in the Sahara desert has been recorded. Both of these anomalies were in the Algerian Sahara, and both had tragic results, says the New York Sun. The two small areas which were overwhelmed by water are about 250 miles apart. The latest flood occurred on the morning of October 21 last at Ain Sefra, on the northern edge of Sahara, not far from the Moroccan border. The Wadis El Brijd and Mulla were suddenly filled to overflowing with water coming from a heavy rain that had fallen on the slopes of the mountain range known as Djénien-Bu-Resg. The deep flood rushed through the town on the lowlands and nearly the entire village was swept away.

The people had no time to flee before the flood was upon them. Ten Europeans and 15 natives were drowned, in spite of the heroic efforts of the French soldiers from the fort, many of whom risked their lives to save the men and women struggling in the water. The work of death and desolation was all over in ten minutes. Among the dead was Isabella Eberhardt, a writer of scientific attainments, who was traveling in masculine attire to collect information concerning Mohammedan ways of living.

The news of the catastrophe was received by the committee on French Africa in Paris and published in its bulletin. It is regarded as remarkable that the loss of life was not greater, for of the 200 houses in Ain Sefra scarcely a dozen remain. The surviving inhabitants were left homeless, but while the French garrison at the fort supplied their immediate necessities funds were raised in some of the Algerian towns for their relief.

The earlier flood took place on April 12, 1899, and overwhelmed a camp in the desert occupied by a force of 90 French soldiers. They had pitched their tents in the dry bed of the Wady Urilun, about 300 miles south of the city of Algiers. A little after dark a roar was heard up the Wady, and a few minutes later an area of about three-fifths of a mile across was under six feet of water. The camp was swept away, but most of the soldiers succeeded in clambering on neighboring hillocks above the flood. The bodies of six of them were found next day several miles below the camp.

These facts show that though hard rains are very rare in the Sahara, there are sometimes heavy downpours in situations where the configuration of the ground permits the sudden accumulation of great quantities of water, and serious disasters are caused if these floods chance to overwhelm settlements. In that part of the world people are not likely to think it necessary to provide safeguards against sudden invasions by floods.

Lord Avebury, better known as Sir John Lubbock, the celebrated naturalist, writes: "If many are prone to exaggerate the intellectual powers of dogs and horses and elephants, others go to the opposite extreme. Descartes, we know, looked on animals as mere automata. Even recently Bethel, Uexkull and other writers have denied the existence of any psychic powers, at any rate, in invertebrate animals, which they explain as reflex machines."

"I confess, indeed, that I cannot understand how anyone who loves animals, or ever has devoted any study to them, can doubt that they possess some power of reason. Many of their actions are unconscious and instinctive, so are some of ours, as we may see by watching a child, but practice enables us to walk or run almost automatically."

"Mr. Gladstone told me that once when he was forming one of his governments he had some difficulty in arranging the places. He and Mrs. Gladstone wrote down the titles of the offices and the names of the liberal leaders on pieces of paper and tried all the evening, but in vain, to fit them together. At last they gave it up and went to bed."

"When Mr. Gladstone awoke in the morning everything was satisfactorily arranged in his head; his brain had worked it out for him during his sleep. This was not conscious reason and certainly was not instinctive. Dr. Carpenter gave to such action the name of unconscious cerebration."

In further proof that man does many things almost automatically Lord Avebury gives this incident: "I have been for over 40 years a director of a company, which changed its offices 20 years ago, and I have not since had any occasion to enter our old house."

"One morning this summer, however, I was going to a committee in our present house, but, thinking of other things, I walked past our door and two or three intervening houses and into the porch of our old office."

The Reason for It. She—No, Mrs. Gayley is not popular. The moment she entered the room where the sewing circle was assembled there was a painful silence everywhere. He—I see. A silence is so particularly painful to women that the person responsible for such a condition must of necessity be unpopular.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Missed All Around. Old Friend—What makes you spend every dollar that you make? Why don't you save your money till you're old? Young Chap—I had an uncle who tried that. He never spent a cent, saved everything till he got old, and just as he was ready to have a good time he lost it all.—Detroit Free Press.

KIOWA ITEMS.

Clipped from the News-Review.

Low Dountain returned from Texas Wednesday night.

Miss Pauline Radel and her sister, from Ohio, visited with Mrs. C. P. Elmore and daughter, Miss May, last week.

T. V. Brown sold out his stock of flour, feed and coal, and rented his big store room to the Metz Mercantile Co., until they will have their proposed new building ready.

Will Wheat is slowly recovering from the injuries received on his shin about three weeks ago, at the home of his parents in this city. It may be some time before he will be able to be out and attend to his duties as county surveyor.

On Wednesday morning J. F. Marr, section foreman on the Santa Fe between Alva and north of Capron, was struck by a northbound freight train this side of Capron and seriously injured. Marr was out on a bicycle to inspect the track of his division. The fog, uncommonly dense on Wednesday morning, deadened the sound of the approaching train and made invisible for any distance. The man was in the act of lifting the bicycle from the track when the train was upon him. He was struck on the breast, but he did not seem to be seriously hurt at the time. The man was brought to Kiowa and was taken care of at the station, until he could be sent to his home on the afternoon train. When he left here the serious effect of his injury received became manifest, and in the evening word was received from Alva that he died. Mr. Marr was a man of good habits, about 35 years of age, and leaves a wife and two children to mourn his unfortunate death.

Clipped from the Journal. Bud Mason who was injured in a wreck while enroute to the world's fair last fall has settled with the railroad company. The legislature having adjourned Thursday until Monday, Representative O. P. T. Ewell spent his vacation with his family in Kiowa.

Charley Hickie and family who have been visiting in California for the past four weeks, arrived home last week one day ahead of the storm. Dr. W. H. Harris had another fine young horse die last week with blind staggers. This is the third horse within a week that the doctor has lost by blind staggers.

T. V. Brown is on a big bacon deal and those who know Tom know he never passes up a good thing, but this bacon deal is causing him all kinds of explanations. The wires have been kept pretty warm and your Uncle Sam is much richer, through correspondance, since this bacon proposition was started. See T. V. Brown for further information.

The Man Who Might. My grandpa used to tell us boys about a man he knew. Way out in northern Illinois. In sixteen forty-two. This fellow's brag of how he might—When first out west he come—Have easy bought Chicago's site For one small jug of rum. We'd always ask grandfather why The fellow did not trade. An' he'd say: "Twas just a lie. The chap made up, I'm afraid; But even though he'd looked ahead And heard the busy hum Of future years, when all is said, He'd rather had the rum."

Mexican Journals. Mexico is credited with being at the head of the Latin-American countries in the matter of letters. Besides possessing the oldest organs of Spanish-American journalism, it is said to have in active existence the first library established in America, which is now at least 300 years old. In Chile, Argentina and Peru there are papers that have been published for fifty years and more. One is the El Comercio, of Lima, which has had a career of sixty years of uninterrupted daily issue.

How She Mixed It. Last week I had a call from a colored woman, an old woman who has loved me all my life, and who now, at nearly eighty, fights a battle for me whenever the need arises. This time she brought me an old-fashioned sweet potato pudding.

"Aunt Crecy," I said, as I dished up a plateful of the rich, brown, delicious mixture, "what is in this pudding?" "Sweet potatoes, grated." "What else?" "A little sugar." "What else?" "Some butter." "What else?" "A few eggs." "How do you mix it?" "Mix it! Now des liss'n at dat! Why, I des gits de things together en mixes 'em. Dat's how."—Nashville Banner.

Kaffirs Object to Chinese. A sidelight on Chinese immigration or importation into South Africa is cast by the following remark in the South African Press-Bulletin: "Quarrels and fights with drawn knives between Kaffirs and Chinese are of almost daily occurrence in Market square, Johannesburg."

Cash Subscribers.

During the past thirty days the following subscribers remembered us with the coin. The list is not as large as those of some months, but when it is remembered that all of them paid without a "reminder" either through the mail or the columns of the paper, it is a very good record:

J. R. Holmes, Aetna, Kan.
O. W. Rule, Oklahoma City, O. T.
Chase Hdw. Co., Medicine Lodge, Ka.
Orin Utterback, Saybrook, Ill.
L. A. Eby, Medicine Lodge, Ka.
Dr. W. H. Moore,
C. F. Ware, Crisfield, Ka.
J. A. Lester, Hazelton, Ka.
Badger L. Co., Medicine Lodge, Ka.
Sam Wilson, do do
Wm. Merrill, do do
Geo. Mounsey, do do
Tom Mounsey, do do
J. Mounsey, do do
A. T. Groendycke, do do
Bruce Swallow, do do
Mrs. J. R. Young, do do
Walter Jackson, do do
W. L. Utterback, do do
Wm. Aubley, do do
Mrs. S. Simpson, do do
J. H. Hoover, do do
J. B. Stockstill, do do
Nannie Garten, do do
A. A. Marchel, do do
Frank Thomas, do do
A. L. Duncan, do do
J. H. McIntyre, do do
Geo. Vatter, do do
Otis Coyte, do do
J. A. Bradney, do do
T. L. Lindley, do do
Citizens S. Bank, do do
J. E. Martin, Denver, Col.
C. R. Wiley, Kiowa, Kan.
L. S. McElwain, Deerbed, Kan.
Geo. Zimmerman, Kiowa, Kan.
Mrs. Mattie Woods, Denver, Col.
J. E. McCorkle, Sharon, Kan.
A. E. Achenbach, Kiowa, Kan.
Jas. Whippo, Ochiltree, Texas.
Rev. W. A. Cain, Abilene, Kan.
J. D. Strohl, Isabel, Kan.
R. T. Keller, Hazelton, Kan.
M. McGuire, Sharon, Kan.
Ray Duncan, Leighton, Cal.
E. J. Mills, Eagle, Kan.
Lawrence Utterback, Dewey, Ill.
A. E. Ellis, Sharon, Kan.
C. S. Heskett, Cherokee, Ok.
John Frajlich, Medicine Lodge, Ka.
C. A. Blackmore, Sharon, Ka.
Hugh Rankin, Sharon, Ka.
H. M. Miller, Sharon, Ka.

Lincoln Library Officers.

At the annual election of officers for the Lincoln Library the following were elected for the ensuing year:
President—C. Q. Chandler.
Vice Pres.—Mrs. W. H. McCague.
Sec. and Treas.—Mrs. A. M. Houchin.
Board of Directors—Miss Best, Mrs. Gleason, Mrs. Hahn, T. L. Lindley and F. M. Shell.

TEACHERS' EXAMINATION.

The next regular Teachers' Examination will be held at the school house in Medicine Lodge Saturday, January 28, commencing at 7:30 a. m. P. L. LAKE, County Superintendent.

OYSTER SUPPER.

The A. O. U. W. and the Degree of Honor will give an Oyster Supper at their hall on Saturday night, January 28. Every member and family are requested to be present. COMMITTEE.

NOTICE—Hunters.

No hunting allowed. Save trouble by being forewarned.

No hunting will be allowed on any land owned or controlled by me. All parties are warned to keep off.

Hunting positively forbidden on any land owned or controlled by D. S. Jones. A. MURLETT, GEO. FOINDEXTER.

Hunter and trespassers are positively forbidden to hunt or trespass on any of the following described lands: Blocks 2, 4, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, Lake's Second addition to the city of Medicine Lodge, and the east half of 13, town 32, range 12—E. T. Chance.

Open the Door of Your Heart. Open the door of your heart, my lad. To the angels of love and truth; When the world is full of unnumbered joys. In the beautiful dawn of youth, Casting aside all things that mar, Saying to wrong, "Depart!" To the voices of hope that are calling you. Open the doors of your heart.

Open the door of your heart, my lass. To the things that shall abide; To the holy thoughts that lift your soul Like the stars at eventide. All of the fadeless flowers that bloom In the realms of song and art. Are yours, if you'll only give them room. Open the door of your heart.

Open the door of your heart, my friend. Headless of class or creed, When you hear the cry of brother's voice, The sob of a child in need, To the shining heaven that o'er you bends You need no map or chart. But only the love the Master gave. Open the door of your heart. —Edward Everett Hale.

Frisco Plans World's Fair. San Francisco is thinking of having a world's fair on the completion of the Panama canal.

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Publication Notice.

The State of Kansas, to F. P. Jones: You will take notice that you have been sued by Cora Jones, in the District Court of Barber county, State of Kansas, in an action in which you are defendant and said Cora Jones is plaintiff; and that unless you answer the petition filed in said action by the said plaintiff on or before the first day of March, 1905, said petition will be taken as true and a judgment rendered accordingly, granting to said plaintiff an absolute divorce from the bonds of matrimony now existing between you and the said plaintiff.

Witness my hand and official seal this 17th day of Jan., 1905. C. D. RACKLEY, Seal: Clerk of the District Court.

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Notice of Appointment—Executor.

State of Kansas, Barber county, ss: In the matter of the estate of Rebecca J. Ware, late of Barber county, Kansas. Notice is hereby given that on the 17th day of January, 1905, the undersigned was, by the Probate Court of Barber county, Kansas, duly appointed and qualified as executor of the estate of Rebecca J. Ware, late of Barber county, Kansas, deceased.

All parties interested in said estate will take notice and govern themselves accordingly. ED. PRAY, Executor.

Poland-China Swine.

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